GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINORITY AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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COMMITTEE ON IMPLEMENTATION OF SACHAR COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATIONS
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Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has appointed a five-member Committee to look into the modalities of setting up an Equal Opportunity Commission (EOC) in order to implement the Sachar Committee recommendations;

(b) if so, the details and terms of reference thereof; and

(c) the time by which the Committee is expected to submit its report?

Answer

MINISTER OF MINORITY AFFAIRS (A.R. ANTULAY)

(a) to (c) An expert group was set up on 31st August, 2007 to recommend the structure, scope and functions of the proposed Equal Opportunity Commission, as a part of the follow-up action on the recommendations of the Sachar Committee. The terms of reference of the expert group are as follows:-

(i) to recommend the structure, scope and functions of the proposed Equal Opportunity Commission.

(ii) to advise on an appropriate legislative framework for such a Commission.

(iii) to make any other recommendations relevant to the above.

The expert group had been given three month's time to submit its report. The group has requested for some more time.